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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claim:

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106. (New) A microencapsulation process comprising:

- a) adding a core material and a non-aqueous medium comprising an oil having a melting point above about 110 Deg. F., into a mixer;
 - b) mixing the core material and the oil at substantially ambient pressure until microencapsulated particles are formed that comprise the core material and oil; and
 - c) discharging the microencapsulated particles;
- with the proviso that no grinding, sorting or separation step is performed.
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REMARKS

By response to this office action, applicant has added new claim 106. In the Office Action dated April 23, 2002, claims 50-105 were rejected by a final rejection. Applicant hereby requests a telephonic interview with the Examiner after the Examiner has had a chance to consider this Response. No new matter has been added by adding the new claim, full support being found throughout the originally-filed specification.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The examiner has rejected claims 51-105 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 6,048, 562 to Mandralis et al. With respect to claims 51-105, applicant respectfully transverse the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), request consideration of the following remarks, and withdrawal of this rejection.